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SUBJECT: BFS FOREIGN LINCOLN LECTURER PROGRAM

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1. CHIEF OF MISSION AND POST ENDORSE NOMINATION OF BEN MKAPA FOR SUBJECT PROGRAM.

2. BASIC BIODATA: BORN NOVEMBER 12, 1938 NDANDA, TANZANIA (MTWARA DISTRICT). EDUCATED ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE (PUGU), DAR ES SALAAM 1955-56; MAKERERE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE 1957-62 (LITERATURE MAJOR, B.A. (HONS) LONDON; COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY 1962-63 (CARNEGIE COURSE FOR DIPLOMATS); 1965-66 JOURNALISM COURSE BRITAIN. IN 1962 WAS DISTRICT OFFICER IN TANGANYIKA. 1963 WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN MINISTRY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE. SEPTEMBER 1966 APPOINTED EDITOR OF "THE NATIONALIST" AND "UHURU". AUGUST 1968 APPOINTED MEMBER OF TANU YOUTH LEAGUE CENTRAL COMMITTEE. JULY 24, 1969 APPOINTED VISITATION COMMITTEE, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DAR ES SALAAM. HAS BEEN INFLUENTIAL ALSO AS DELEGATE TO EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND HAS SERVED ON GOT DELEGATION TO SEVERAL UNGA SESSIONS.

3. PRESENT POSITION IS EXECUTIVE EDITOR OF "DAILY NEWS".

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4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDED IN PARA 2.

5. JUSTIFICATION: MKAPA IS WELL RESPECTED BY TANZANIAN LEADERS AS WELL AS PROMINENT JOURNALISTS IN OAU AND THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES. HE IS MOST ARTICULATE OF MASS MEDIA LEADERS IN TANZANIA AND COMMUNICATES MOST EFFECTIVELY.

6. SPEAKS AND WRITES VER WELL BOTH ENGLISH AND SWAHILI.
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